

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification at page 5, line 26 through page 6, line 7 as follows:

As the active ingredients non steroid anti inflammatory drugs (NSAID) can be used, such as sodium diclofenac ~~diehlophenae~~, indomethacine, ibuprofen, ketoprofen, diflunisal, pyroxicam, naproxene, flurbiprofen, sodium tolmetin, or steroid anti inflammatory or substances inducing sleep and tranquillisers such as diazepam, nitrazepam, flurazepam, oxazepam, chlordiazepoxide, medazepam, lorazepam or active ingredients for the control of hypertension, for example Ace inhibitors or calcium antagonists such as enalapril, nifedipine, nitrendipine, nicardipine or diltiazem, propranolol, . atenolol, pindolol, prazosin, ramipril, spirapril, spirinolactone, methypranolol, molsidomine, moxonidine, nadolol, nadoxolol, levodopa, metoprolol, timolol or anti histaminic and/or antiasthmatic drugs such as ephedrine, terphenadine, teofilline, chlorpheniramine, or beta lactamic antibiotics, alone and in association, and derivatives thereof such as ampicillin, amoxicillin, cefradine, salts or derivatives thereof, and in particular in association with inhibitors of beta lactamase such as clavulanic acid.

Please amend the specification at page 6, lines 18-31 as follows:

Polymeric substances of possible use in the preparation of said matrix (or nucleus) are for example polyvinylpyrrolidone, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose with molecular weights from 2.000 to 4.000. 000, sodium carboxymethylcellulose, carboxymethylamide, potassium methacrylate-divinylbenzene copolymer, polyvinylalcohols, hydroxypropylcellulose with molecular weights from 2000 to 4000000, polyoxyethylene (POE) (POE) of molecular weight ranging between 100 and 10000000, carboxyvinylpolymers, polyvinylalcohols with molecular weight from 10000 to 1000000, glucans, scleroglucans, mannans, carragenans, galactomannans, gellans, xanthans, alginic acid and derivatives, polyanhydrides, polyaminoacids, poly- (methyl vinyl ethers/maleic anhydride) carboxymethylcellulose and derivatives, ethylcellulose, methylcellulose and cellulose derivatives in general, amides, starch derivatives, alpha, beta, gamma cyclodextrins and dextrin[[e]] derivatives and copolymers of the above cited polymers.

Please amend the specification at page 10, lines 23-28 as follows:

In particular, the filmed tablets are positioned onto a horizontal plane and one face of the tablet is incised by exposure to a laser beam. The duration of exposure to the laser beam depends on the thickness of the coating and on the power of the laser apparatus. For example, if a laser apparatus having a power of 20 W is used, an exposure of 100 milliseconds is necessary to cut a coating having a thickness of 100 μm.

Please amend the specification at page 12, lines 31-32 as follows:

The incision (s) are made in a time of approx. 100 thousandths of a second and effect a thickness of approx. 100 μm, equal to the thickness of the coating.

Please amend the specification at page 15, lines 25-26 as follows:

The incision is carried out in a time of approx. 100 thousandths of a second and effects a thickness of approx. 100 μm, equal to the thickness of the coating.

Please amend the specification at page 18, lines 22-23 as follows:

The incision is carried out in a time of around 100 thousandths of a second and effects a thickness of approx. 100 μm, equal to the thickness of the coating.